Implementation of Revised National T.B. Control Programme in Andhra Pradesh

2985. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some districts of Andhra Pradesh are in the list of project districts for implementation of Revised National T.B. Control Programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the cure rate of T.B. in these districts and by when these will become T.B. free districts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Revised National T.B. Control Programme (RNTCP) is being implemented in the State of Andhra Pradesh with the assistance of Department for International Development (DFID). Out of total 23 districts of the State, presently following 8 districts are under service delivery:

1. Anantapur	2. Chittoor	3. Hyderabad
4. Mehboobnagar	5. Medak	6. Rangareddy
7. Srikakulam	8. Vijayanagaram	

The remaining districts are undergoing preparatory activities for adoption of revised strategy.

(c) The cure rate of RNTCP Project districts becomes due after 12-15 months from starting of service delivery. Therefore, the data for cure rate is available only for two districts which is as follows:

1. Hyderabad — 80%
2. Medak — 79%

For other districts, data on cure rate is still not due.